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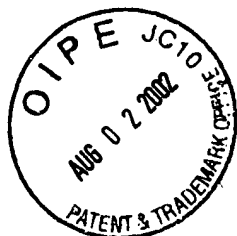
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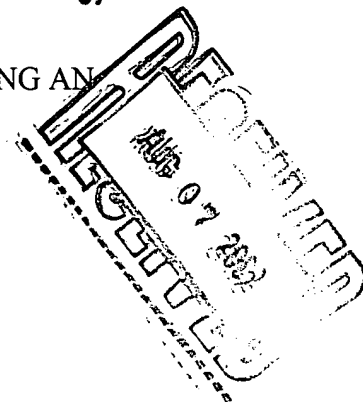
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- ☒ The "concise explanation" requirement (non-English references) for reference(s) AL under 37 CFR 1.98(a)(3) is satisfied by:
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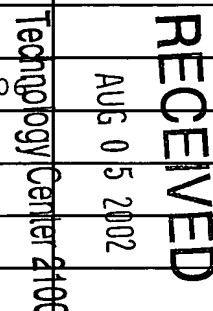
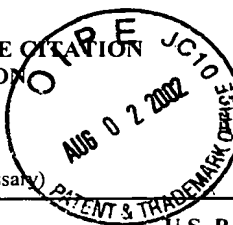
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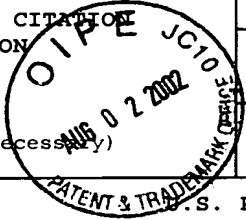
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